

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 18 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, no claims are cancelled, claim 1 is amended and no new claims are added.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended to its undersigned representative in a telephone correspondence on May 3, 2010 relating to amending claim 1 and the recent Notice of Allowance.

In view of the foregoing Preliminary Amendment, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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